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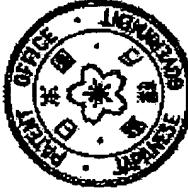
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(54) METHOD FOR
CORRECTING OPTICAL
PROXIMITY EFFECT

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To
well correct an optical proximity
effect without generating errors as in
a rule base method and without
requiring the enormous time as in a
simulation method.SOLUTION: When the data to be
corrected is inputted (S1), the data is

discriminated to the part where correction is executed by using the correction values previously determined in correspondence to respective patterns and the layout around the same in the data and the part where the correction is executed by calculating the correction rates in accordance with a simulator (S2). For example, the gate layers in the memory are subjected to the correction of the simulation base and the rule base correction using the rule noticing only the active gate width is applied to the other parts (S3, S4). The divided regions respectively subjected to the optical proximity effect correction are thereafter integrated (S5).

